

## Would you like:

- Help to get your family **economically** and **socially** stable (bus passes, employment)?
- Care Coordination to help you organize your life and access **free community resources**?
- The same training that top executives at Fortune 500 companies take to make them successful in the business world: **7 Habits of Highly Effective People**?
- Strengthening yourself and your family by creating an **Action Plan** for getting your life where you want it to be?
- **Increasing your GPA** by connecting with tutoring and preparing for graduation by obtaining **Community Service Hours**?
- Help understanding your school's **policies and procedures** to prevent unexcused absences?

*If you said "yes" to any of these,  
you belong in  
Success University.*



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## The Miami Beach Service Partnership

Our Community Partners committed  
to serving you include:

- Aspira of Florida
- Ayuda, Inc.
- Barry University
- Biscayne Elementary
- Choices Et Al, Inc.
- City of Miami Beach
- Institute for Child & Family Health
- Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce
- Miami Beach Community Health Center
- Miami Beach Senior High School
- Miami-Dade County Public Schools
- Nautilus Middle School
- South Florida Center for Family Counseling
- Stand Up! For Those Who Can't
- Switchboard of Miami
- Teen Job Corps
- Unidad of Miami Beach



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dren and families in Miami-Dade County.

## SUCCESS UNIVERSITY

A Program of the  
Miami Beach Service Partnership



## Success University *Benefits of Membership*

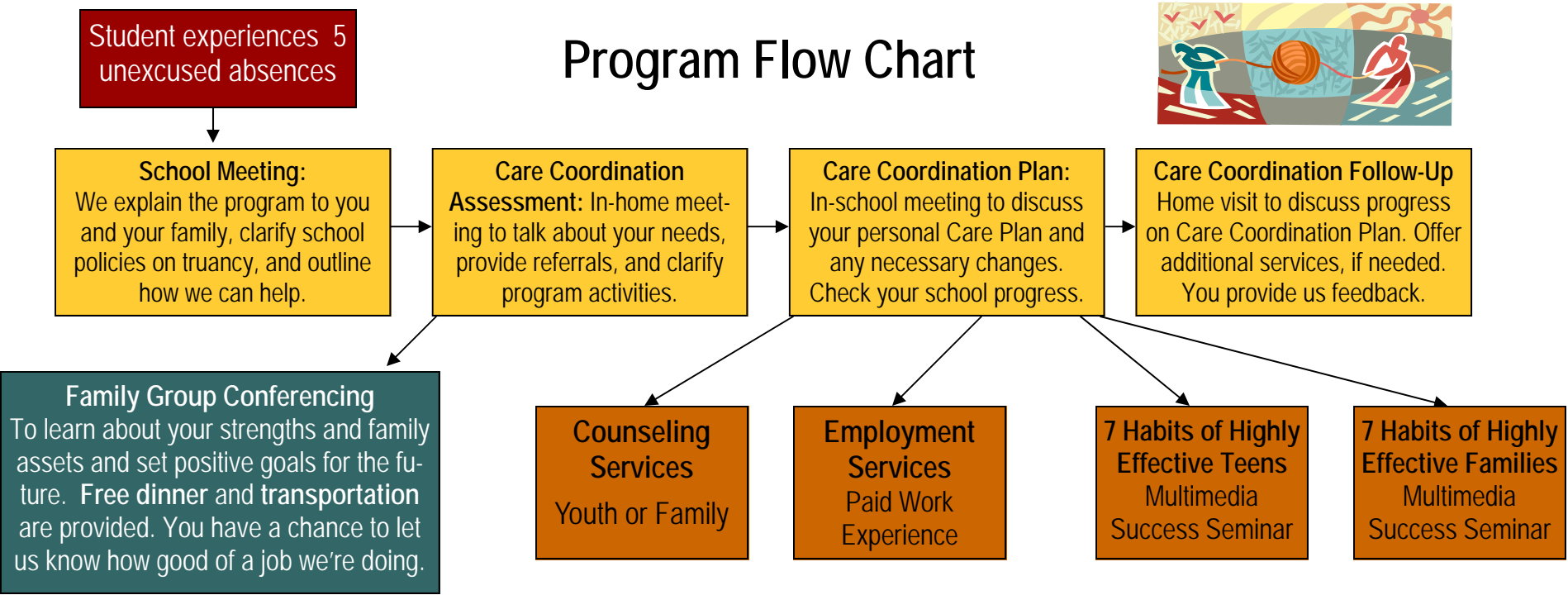
**Success University** offers you, the stu-  
dent, an extraordinary opportunity to tap into  
exclusive benefits valued at thousands of  
dollars and designed to increase personal  
success in school, work, and life.

**Success University** is unique because  
you and your family set goals for positive  
action and staff assists in setting the stage  
for success. Together we will develop a spe-  
cial Care Coordination Plan with recommen-  
dations just for you.

**Success University** will make a differ-  
ence in the lives of you and your family by  
linking you to a wide variety of community  
and school-based resources to ensure aca-  
demic and personal success.

### Did You Know?

Florida Law (Section 1003.21, FL Stat-  
utes) states that all children must at-  
tend school regularly during the entire  
school term. ***If a parent and/or child  
does not comply with efforts to en-  
force school attendance, the Super-  
intendent may file a truancy petition  
pursuant to Section 984.151, Florida  
Statutes.***



## Syllabus for Success!

- ☐ **Care Coordination**— Beginning with an in-home assessment, our Home Team connects you and your family to **free** and low-cost services in the community. An individualized **Care Plan** focusing on increasing school achievement is developed and Follow-Up meetings are held to ensure successful links are made for you and your family.
- ☐ **Family Group Conferencing**—Family Conferencing brings together your friends and family to create a blueprint for personal success with the people most important to **you**. It is a private, strength-based process that is 100% confidential. We schedule the FGC to your availability, **dinner** is served and **transportation** is available.
- ☐ **7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens / Families**— While it's not always easy being a teenager, success can be achieved by leaning on families for our strength. Through these trainings, you will learn how to make good decisions and communicate clearly. Families will reconnect, communicate, plan and succeed together. **Lunch & transportation** are provided and **Community Service Hours** are awarded!
- ☐ **Counseling Services**— Have you or your family members sought counseling services, but been unsuccessful in accessing them? Success University offers Initial Evaluations and subsequent **individual and/or family counseling** to eligible participants free of charge.
- ☐ **Employment Services** - Do you need a job? Success University offers 90 hours of **paid employment** to qualifying students. Priority is given to low-income households and/or youth without legal status who have Taxpayer ID numbers.

## Truancy Facts: More about your school's policies and procedures and law.

**Florida Law ( Section 1003.21, Florida Statutes)** states that all children are older than six years of age but who have not attained the age of 16 years, must attend school regularly during the entire school term.

**Miami Beach Senior High and Nautilus Middle School Policies** dictate that absences are initially recorded as "unexcused" and will be changed to "excused," upon receipt of reason for absences. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to report/explain an absence to the school within three days upon the student's return to school or the absence will be permanently recorded as unexcused. MBSH absent notes must be submitted to Mr. Mike Lorenzo (Room 151) before school, during lunch, or after school before 3:00 PM and NMS notes must be submitted to Ms. Tania Perez in the main office.

In an important **Miami Beach Senior High School Policy** change for the 2011-2012 school year, any student accumulating 10 or more unexcused class absences in an annual course, or five or more class absences in a designated semester course, will automatically have quarterly, semester and final grades withheld. Withheld grades result in failure of the course. **Miami Beach Senior High School and Nautilus Middle School** have "block scheduling." It is important to note that a double blocked period constitutes two single class periods. If a student is absent from a double blocked period, this will constitute two excused or unexcused absences for that class. Visit your school's attendance office or contact MDCPS Attendance Services at 305-883-5323 for more information.

The **Florida Department of Education** maintains a policy stating that students who attain the age of 14 or higher with 15 or more unexcused absences within 90 calendar days are habitual truants. This designation may result in parents and students being required to appear before an Attendance Review Committee. In addition, this information is submitted to the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the student will be ineligible to receive or maintain driving privileges. Driving privileges may be reinstated upon demonstration of 30 consecutive days of attendance without any unexcused absences. The DMV policy can be found at the following link: [www.fldoe.org/ese/pdf/y2007-6.pdf](http://www.fldoe.org/ese/pdf/y2007-6.pdf)